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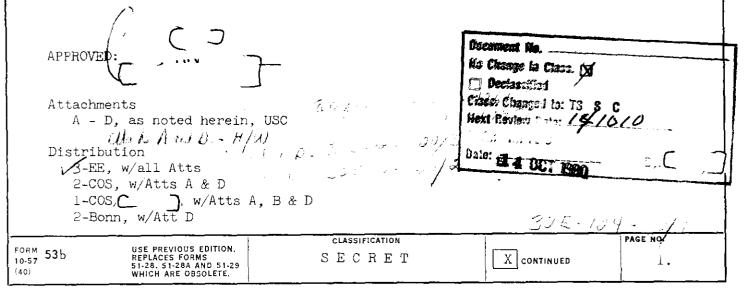
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- l. Under separate cover as Attachment A we are forwarding you a chronologically organized summary report describing developments during the past six months in connection with the termination of the DTLINEN Verein and the close-out of DTLINEN's offices. The report, which we feel is excellently done, was prepared by at our request. Our additional general comments on the termination of the group are contained in the following paragraphs.
- 3. Coworker Aid Payments: After considerable field coordination, a program has been worked out whereby we hope to enlist the aid of a charity organization located in Hamburg to continue the aid payments to the relatives of arrested DTLINEN coworkers. and his wife currently are in West Germany to negotiate and work out the final touches of the arrangements. Cases cropping up in the future involving formerly imprisoned coworkers who appear in West Berlin or West Germany will be handled on a case to case basis in coordination with CAWASH.
- 4. Balloon Team: The balloon team is being maintained in a strict holding capacity under AEVIRGIL administrative cover. BOB is in direct contact with the balloon team chief @GUENTHER. It is hoped that a decision will be reached regarding the future of the balloon team by September. For purposes of future reference, it should be noted that the East German press has kept up a running attack on the balloon base located at Eschwege.
- 5. <u>Legal Cases:</u> You are aware through other correspondence as to the overall status of the various charges against DTLINEN and its employees. One additional point should be made in connection with a case which already is before the courts. This case, which through oversight was not previously brought to your attention, concerns charges brought by a West German resident who claims



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that in 1950, while he was an East German resident, he visited DTLINEN and was given advise which resulted in his arrest and several years imprisonment in East Germany. He claims that DTLINEN was negligent in this matter and is asking approximately DMW 50,000.00 in damages. who has followed the case closely for the past several months, feels certain that the Plaintiff will get no satisfaction from the court and that the case will be decided in favor of DTLINEN, perhaps in July. We are forwarding a variety of reports pertaining to this case as Attachment B. We also wish to call your attention to Comments concerning this case which are found in the penultimate paragraph of Attachment A. The COS legal has been briefed on this case and has discussed it personally with

Financial Report: DTLINEN termination costs appear to be quite closely following the schedule of expenses which were anticipated per EGBA-57008, 27 April 1959. BOB financial ledgers show total DTLINEN expenditures of as of mid-June. It consequently appears that we will be able to meet the approved DM 50,000 for coworker aid payments from the FY 1959 budget. Under separate cover as Attachment C we are forwarding a copy of the final DTLINEN covert accounting (for the month of March) and copies of the March, April and May overt accountings. Please note in this connection the Jreport (Attachment A). various fiscal references in C

Case Officer Comment: deserve high praise for their outstanding performances in connection with the termination of the project. They lightened the case officer's burden to a considerable extent.

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